### Fiscal Estimate - 2009 Session

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LRB Number <b>09-3243/2</b>	Introduction Number AB-06	81		
<b>Description</b> Orders to commit state prison inmates to a	a mental health facility			
Fiscal Effect				
State:  No State Fiscal Effect Indeterminate Increase Existing Appropriations Decrease Existing Appropriations Create New Appropriations	Increase Existing Revenues Decrease Existing Revenues Decrease Existing Revenues Decrease Costs			
Permissive Mandatory	Decrease Revenue	ge Cities rs <u>0</u> S		
Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations				
GPR FED PRO PRS	SEG SEGS			
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# Fiscal Estimate Narratives DHS 2/9/2010

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Description					
Orders to commit state prison inmates to a mental health facility					

#### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, the procedure to commit a person involuntarily to a mental health facility begins by filing a petition alleging that the person is mentally ill, drug dependent, or developmentally disabled, is a proper subject for treatment, and is dangerous. If these allegations are proven, the person may initially be committed for treatment for a period not to exceed six months, and any consecutive commitment order may not exceed 12 months.

In addition, a procedure to commit an inmate of a prison may begin under an alternative petition, which must allege all of the following: 1) that the inmate is mentally ill, is a proper subject for treatment, and is in need of treatment; 2) that the inmate is informed about his treatment needs; and 3) that less restrictive forms of treatment have been unsuccessful. If these allegations are proven, the inmate may be committed under this alternative petition for not more than 180 days in a 365 day period.

Inmates of a prison committed to a mental health facility under petition or an alternative petition receive treatment at the Wisconsin Resource Center (WRC) if they are male or on a forensic unit at Winnebago Mental Health Institute (WMHI) if they are female. Under current law, inmates committed to a mental health facility under an alternative petition must leave WRC to return to DOC at the end of six months. Often, they are recommitted to WRC after an additional six months to receive further treatment. This can often lead to inmates cycling through six-month periods of being on and off medications, resulting in an inefficient use of WRC psychiatry, social work, pharmacy, nursing, and management staff resources as well as the resources of the courts.

Under this bill, under the alternative petition, an inmate of a prison may initially be committed for treatment for a period not to exceed six months, and any consecutive commitment order may not exceed 12 months.

The bill will improve the efficiency and effectiveness of WRC and WMHI treatment programs by allowing inmates longer treatment stays at WRC and WMHI. However, it will not result in a net GPR savings or cost to DHS. To the extent that inmates involuntarily committed to a mental health facility under alternative petition are consecutively committed and therefore receive treatment for more than 180 days in a 365 day period, the length of stay for inmates receiving treatment at WRC and on forensic units at WMHI will increase. WRC is funded with GPR under s. 20.435 (2) (bm) and WMHI forensic units are funded with GPR under s. 20.435 (2) (b). However, these facilities and units currently operate at or near their treatment capacity, so GPR expenditures under s. 20.435 (2) (b) and s. 20.435 (2) (bm) will not increase under this bill.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications** 

### Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2009 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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<b>Description</b> Orders to commit state prison inmates to a m	enta	al health facility		
I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for annualized fiscal effect):	Sta	te and/or Local Governm	ent (do	not include in
II. Annualized Costs:			cal Imp	act on funds from:
		Increased Costs		Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category				
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes		\$		\$
(FTE Position Changes)				
State Operations - Other Costs				
Local Assistance				
Aids to Individuals or Organizations				
TOTAL State Costs by Category		\$		\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			·	
GPR				
FED				
PRO/PRS				
SEG/SEG-S				
III. State Revenues - Complete this only wi revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in li			r decre	ase state
		Increased Rev		Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes		\$		\$
GPR Earned				
FED				
PRO/PRS				
SEG/SEG-S				
TOTAL State Revenues		\$		\$
NET ANNUA	LIZ	ED FISCAL IMPACT		
		<u>State</u>		Local
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$		\$0
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$		\$0
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Fiscal Effect	
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Permissive Mandatory Perm 2. Decrease Costs 4. Decr	5.Types of Local Government Units Affected Towns Village Cities Counties Others ease Revenue School WTCS Districts
Fund Sources Affected  GPR FED PRO PRS	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations SEG SEGS
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Description					
Orders to commit state prison inmates to a mental health facility					

#### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, prison inmates who are committed for mental health treatment under an alternative petition procedure under s. 51.20(1)(ar)WI Stats may not be committed for mental health treatment for a period exceeding 180 days in any 365-day period. Under this bill, an inmate may initially be committed for treatment for a period not to exceed six months, and any consecutive commitment order may not exceed 12 months.

In calendar year 2009, there were ninety-two Chapter 51 mental health commitments within the Department of Corrections. Of these, eleven were of the 51.20(1)(ar) type.

Under current law, if an inmate is committed under 51.20(1)(ar) for an initial 180 day term within a 365 day period, and the Department pursues re-commitment for an additional term within a separate 365 day period, an additional initial commitment hearing must be conducted for that new term. The provisions of this bill would allow immediate extension of an initial 6 month civil commitment term pending the outcome of a recommitment hearing, instead of requiring initial commitment hearings for each new 365 day period. The provisions of this bill may decrease workload in the form of reduced staff time devoted to preparation and participation at hearings related to re-commitment of inmates, as less staff time would be required for preparation and participation in re-commitment hearings. It is anticipated, however, that the decreased workload, would not have a significant impact on staff resources.

The number of inmates committed annually under Wis. Statute 51.20(1)(ar) varies from year to year and can't be predicted as each commitment is uniquely determined on a case by case basis. The Department is, therefore, unable to estimate a cost impact resulting from this proposed legislation.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications